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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Group Art Unit: 1652 David A. Estell Examiner: David Steadman Serial No.: 09/462,846 Filed: January 13, 2000 Gram-Positive Microorganisms with Inactivated Cysteine Protease-1)

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2002, enclosed please find the following documents: Amendment and Response to Office Action, and Associate Power of Attorney.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC381-US). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 14 May 2002\_

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